

Tulahoma Citizen's Police Academy

The success of the first Tulahoma Citizen's Police Academy (TCPA) in early 2014 was met with positive comments from the participants. Once again the department would like to extend an invitation to Tulahoma citizens to participate in the next session. The Tulahoma Police Department is currently accepting applications for the 2015 Citizen's Police Academy (TCPA). The TCPA is being offered in order to maintain a strong partnership between the residents of Tulahoma and the Police Department in order to enhance the quality of life in our community. The TCPA will provide for an introduction to the operation of the Police Department and the resources and requirements necessary to provide a professional and proficient community service. The TCPA will focus on an interactive curriculum consisting of classroom instruction, discussion periods, mock scenarios, situational activities, and hands-on activities.

Applications for the TCPA will be taken through the month of January for the session that will begin March 24, 2015 and conclude May 26, 2015. The application and eligibility requirements and other information can be found at www.tullahomatn.gov , or pick up an application packet at the Police Department, 201 W. Grundy St.

Once the applications have been received, a total of eighteen (18) participants will be selected to attend. The participants will be notified by mail of their acceptance before the middle of February. Upon notification, the participants will be required to submit a thirty dollar (\$30) registration fee to cover materials. The TCPA will be held on Tuesday evenings for the ten week period from 5:30 pm to approximately 8:30 pm. The program will consist of a total of forty-four (44) hours of instruction and a participant must attend thirty-six (36) hours in order to graduate.

Completion of the TCPA does not certify participants as law enforcement officers. The purpose and intent of the TCPA is to provide residents with an opportunity to gain insight and knowledge as too the operations of the local law enforcement agency. Any questions about the TCPA can be directed to Chief Paul Blackwell at (931) 455-0530 or pblackwell@tullahomatn.gov .